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SUBJECT: SCENESETTER FOR DEPUTY NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR J.D. CROUCH'S VISIT TO ROMANIA

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Classified By: Ambassador Nicholas Taubman for Reasons 1.4 A, B and D

[1](#)1. (C) Summary. Embassy Bucharest warmly welcomes your upcoming visit to Bucharest. Your participation at the June 5 "Black Sea Forum for Dialogue and Partnership Summit" will demonstrate Romania's Vision for the Black Sea Region

[1](#)2. (C) Promoting greater regional security in the wider Black Sea region has been among the most prominent items on President Traian Basescu's agenda. Romania has not excluded the possibility of cooperation with a Turkish-led Black Sea Harmony, providing any cooperation entailed transparent and mutually beneficial.

[1](#)3. (C) Last summer, Romania proposed the "Black Sea Forum for Dialogue and Partnership Summit" on June 5 as a launching pad for a process of creating a Reliable Ally in the GWOT

[1](#)4. (SBU) Romania has been a staunch ally in both words and deeds in the global war on terrorism (GWOT), providing troops in both Afghanistan and Iraq.

[1](#)5. (C) President Basescu has repeatedly underscored the centrality of Romania's strategic alliance with the U.S. and senior Romanian leaders, including Prime Minister Ciolescu. Romania's Sights Set on EU Membership in 2007

[1](#)6. (C) EU accession in January 2007 is Romania's number one foreign policy priority. The European Commission's May 16 monitoring report gave Romania a positive assessment.

[1](#)7. (S) Romania's largely bipartisan foreign policy and security goals stand in marked contrast to the country's domestic politics, which remain deeply polarized. At the same time, the PSD remains embroiled in its own infighting and corruption scandals, the most notable being the resignation in March of former Prime Minister Nastase over the Avian Influenza

[1](#)8. (C) The recent outbreak of Avian Influenza (AI) in Bucharest and around the country has galvanized the of Romanians and exacerbated tensions in the Balkans. International Adoptions

[1](#)9. (C) Romania's EC-imposed ban on international adoptions - and failure to process roughly 200 pending adoption cases for American parents - has caused a crisis. A recently released report by a respected NGO, Mental Disabilities Rights International (MDRI), revealed harsh conditions for abandoned children in Romania. Energy

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10. (C) Romania, once a net exporter of energy products, now produces 40% of its domestic oil consumption and 60% of its gas needs, and the re
Romania imports nearly all gas from Gazprom through two main middlemen agents, WIEE and Conef. WIEE is a 50/50 joint venture between the German
11.(C) While Romania has sought a greater role in European hydrocarbon distribution for some time, the January Russia-Ukraine energy crisis has
Boosting Trade Ties

12.(SBU) Finally, while most elements of our relationship are exemplary, there is still room for improvement in the commercial and economic sph
13.(SBU) Your visit is an opportunity to encourage the GOR to work more closely with American investors and their representatives, such as the
Welcome Back Dr. Crouch

14.(C) In sum, Basescu and the Romanian government are greatly looking forward to your return to focus on one of the GOR's core foreign policy

15. (U) Amembassy Bucharest's reporting telegrams are available on the Bucharest SIPRNet website: www.state.sgov.gov/p/eur/bucharest

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